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In re Application of:)
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Nathalie MOUGIN) Prior Group Art Unit: 1617
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Application No.: Unassigned) Prior Examiner: L. Wells
(Divisional Application of Application No.)
09/544,655, filed April 5, 2000))
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Filed: September 8, 2003)
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For: COMPOSITION COMPRISING)
POLYMERS HAVING A STAR)
STRUCTURE, THE POLYMERS, AND)
THEIR USE)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents were previously submitted or cited by the Examiner in prior Application No. 09/544,655, filing date April 5, 2000, upon which Applicant relies for the benefits provided in 35 U.S.C. § 120. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form. Any documents not previously submitted or cited by the Examiner in the prior application, are enclosed with

this Information Disclosure Statement (see items 23, 26, 27, 32, 33, 34 listed on the PTO Form 1449).

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

Additionally, Applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the following copending applications, which all relate to similar subject matter:

1. **Title:** COMPOSITION COMPRISING POLYMERS
HAVING A STAR STRUCTURE, THE
POLYMERS, AND THEIR USE
By: Nathalie MOUGIN
Filed: May 7, 2002
U.S. Application No.: 10/139,530
Attorney Docket No.: 05725.0564-01
2. **Title:** COMPOSITION COMPRISING POLYMERS
HAVING A STAR STRUCTURE, THE
POLYMERS, AND THEIR USE
By: Nathalie MOUGIN
Filed: January 17, 2003
U.S. Application No.: 10/345,977
Attorney Docket No.: 05725.0565-01
3. **Title:** COMPOSITION COMPRISING POLYMERS
HAVING A STAR STRUCTURE, THE
POLYMERS, AND THEIR USE
By: Nathalie MOUGIN
Filed: September 20, 2002
U.S. Application No.: 10/247,362
Attorney Docket No.: 05725.0571-01

Applicant notes that some of the co-pending applications listed on the Form PTO-1449 were previously submitted with and listed on the Information Disclosure Statement filed in the parent application, but were not listed on a Form PTO-1449.

Accordingly, Applicant has listed the co-pending applications on the attached Form PTO-1449.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the present application and Applicant determines that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicant reserves the right to present to the Patent Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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	2	4,659,783	04/1987	Spinelli	525	293	
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